



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/121,798  
Applicant : Robert Bridenbaugh  
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Examiner : William O. Sandals

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of July 29, 2002, and following a Notice of Appeal timely filed on January 29, 2003, which was recorded in the USPTO on February 5, 2003, Applications respectfully request consideration of new claims and arguments in the present RCE application filed in accordance 37 CFR §1.114. Applications petition for a five month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(b) for the present submission. Submitted herewith is a new Power of Attorney and Statement under 37 CFR§3.73(b) together with a Revocation of the prior Power of Attorney in this case. A Fee Transmittal authorizing the Commissioner to charge the deposit account under the new Power of Attorney is enclosed. Please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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